GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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CLEARANCE TO PROJECTS UNDER CRZ
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his ministry has recently discussed the issue of relaxation of the coastal regulation zone with the Ministry of Tourism;

(b) if so, the details of the decision taken in that regard;

(c) whether a number of projects have been held up because of the CRZ; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government for early clearance of the projects?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS (SHRI T. R. BAALU)

(a) & (b) : No formal discussions have taken place recently with the Ministry of Tourism for relaxation of the provisions of Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 1991.

(c) & (d) : No tourism projects are held up because of the coastal zone regulations. In fact the Coastal Regulation Zone Notification provides for construction of beach resorts between 200 - 500 m from High Tide Line in CRZ - III areas. For early clearance of proposals relating to construction of beach resorts, the proposals are considered internally after they have been examined and recommended by the respective State Coastal Zone Management Authorities.